STATE OF IOWA

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE:

NOS COMMUNICATIONS, INC.

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ORDER GRANTING EXTENSION

(Issued May 18, 2001)

On April 2, 2001, NOS Communications, Inc. (NOS), filed an application for a certificate of public convenience and necessity to provide competitive local exchange service in Iowa. The application has been identified as Docket No. TCU-01-7. NOS filed a proposed tariff with its application. On April 19, 2001, Consumer Advocate Division of the Department of Justice (Consumer Advocate) filed an objection to the application.

On May 15, 2001, NOS filed a request for an extension of time to respond to the objection of Consumer Advocate. NOS requests until May 29, 2001, to file a response. NOS states that the extension is necessary to allow for full and complete response to Consumer Advocate's objection, and NOS indicates that has stated it will not object to the extension.

The Utilities Board (Board) finds there is good cause to grant the extension.

NOS is a company attempting to provide competitive local exchange service in Iowa and Consumer Advocate has raised an objection to the granting of that authority.

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The Board believes that NOS should be allowed the time necessary to make a full and complete response. The Board will grant an extension of time until May 29, 2001, for NOS to file a response.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 18th day of May, 2001.

NOS Communications, Inc., is granted until May 29, 2001, to file a response to the objection of the Consumer Advocate Division of the Department of Justice.

UTILITIES BOARD

	/s/ Allan T. Thoms
ATTEST:	/s/ Susan J. Frye
/s/ Sharon Mayer Acting Executive Secretary, Asst. to	/s/ Diane Munns